WOOD STRUCTURAL PANELS - PLYWOOD PANEL MARKING

IR 23-6

References:

2001California Building Code, Sections 2302A.1, 2304A.1, 2312A.1, 2312A.2, 2315A.3.3, and 2315A.5. UBC Standard 23-2 2007 California Building Code, Sections 2302.1, 2303.1.4, 2304.6, and 2304.7.

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Voluntary Product Standard PS 1-95

Discipline: Structural

This Interpretation of Regulations (IR) is intended for use by the Division of the State Architect (DSA) staff, and as a resource for design professionals, to promote more uniform statewide criteria for plan review and construction inspection of projects within the jurisdiction of DSA, which include State of California public elementary and secondary schools (grades K-12), community colleges, and state-owned or state-leased essential services buildings. This IR indicates an acceptable method for achieving compliance with applicable codes and regulations, although other methods proposed by design professionals may be considered by DSA.

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Purpose: This Interpretation of Regulations (IR) provides clarification on the panel marking requirements for plywood panels used on DSA projects, which includes State of California public elementary and secondary schools (Grades K-12), community colleges, and state-owned or state-leased essential services buildings.

Policy: Plywood panels meeting the requirements of this IR shall be considered to have met the requirements of the 2007 CBC, Section 2303.1.4.

- **1. MATERIALS:** Certification and panel marking shall comply with PS 1-95, Section 7. Each panel shall bear markings identifying the qualified testing and inspection agency, grade, nominal thickness, span rating, exposure durability classification and the standard to which it is certified.
- **2. QUALIFIED TESTING AND INSPECTION AGENCY**: Appendix A, on page 2, is a list (furnished by International Accreditation Service, Inc.) of qualified testing and inspection agencies. Testing and inspection agencies may be placed on this list if they meet all of the following conditions:
- **2.1** Conform to PS 1-95 Section 7.2.
- 2.2 Accredited by International Accreditation Service, Inc. in accordance with ISO/IEC 17020 and 17025 standards, and
- 2.3 The scope of accreditation shall include the inspection of plywood panels for compliance with PS 1-95 requirements.

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Appendix A: List of Qualified Testing and Inspection Agencies

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Accredited by International Accreditation Service (IAS) to Certify and Mark/Stamp Plywood Panels under Product Standard PS 1-95 (Listed alphabetically by Agency)

Inspection Agency	IAS Accreditation Number	Contact Information
APA – The Engineered Wood Association 7011 South 19 th Street Tacoma, WA 98466	AA-649	Contact: Mr. Borjen Yeh Telephone: 253-565-6600 e-mail: borjen.yeh@apawood.org
Intertek Testing Services NA Ltd. 1500 Brigantine Drive Coquitlam, British Columbia V3K 7C1 Canada	AA-688	Contact: Lawrence Gibson Telephone: 604-520-3321 Fax: 604-524-9189 e-mail: lawrence.gibson@intertek.com
Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc. 16015 Shady Falls Road Elmendorf, TX 78112	AA-657	Contact: Deg Priest Telephone: 210-635-8100 Fax: 210-635-8101 e-mail: deg.priest@intertek.com
Professional Services Industries, Inc. Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory 2710 W 5 th Avenue Eugene, OR 97402	AA-660	Contact: Mr. Randy Webb Telephone: 541-484-9212 e-mail: randy.webb@psiusa.com
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